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1. RHODES: WHEN EMBASSY ADVISED BY VOA RHODES OF DETERIORATING LOCAL SITUATION, EARLY AUGUST 18, GENDARME COMMAND ALERTED TO ENHANCED PHYSICAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. FACILITIES ON THE ISLAND OF RHODES. SPECIAL PROTECTION IN THE FORM OF ARMED GENDARME GUARDS WAS PROVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

A. LORAN COAST GUARD LOPMONSTA STATION - 1 ARMED GENDARME AND 1 VOA SECURITY WARDEN.
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B. VOA RHODES: (1) AFFENDOU RELAY STATION - 12

ARMED GENDARMES (2) KOSKINOU RECEIVING STATION - 5 ARMED GENDARMES. THE GENDARMES SUPPLEMENT THE 21 VOA SECURITY WARDENS.

C. POV'S WERE PARKED TEMPORARILY ON THE GROUNDS OF THE GENDARME SCHOOL.

D. MR. PHILLIP CARROL, VOA PROGRAM CENTER DIRECTOR, WAS PROVIDED WITH AN ARMED GENDARME AT HIS RESIDENCE DURING THE HOURS OF THE NIGHT.

2. KAVALA: AT VOA KAVALIA FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS AS OF JULY 20:

A. KAVALLA TRANSMITTER SITE: 4 ARMED LOCAL MILITIAMEN ON EACH OF TWO SHIFTS FROM 1600 HOURS UNTIL 0800. THE MILITIAMEN SUPPLEMENT THE 36 VOA SECURITY WARDENS WHO ARE ON THREE EIGHT-HOUR SHIFTS.

B. AGIASMA RECEIVING STATION: 2 VOA SECURITY WARDENS SUPPLEMENTED BY TWO LOCAL AIR RAID WARDENS. BECAUSE OF THE REMOTE AND UNACCESSIBLE TERRAIN THIS SECURITY FORCE IS ADEQUATE.

3. THE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AND WITH THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND HE WAS ASSURED ALL POLICE AND MILITARY MEASURES NECESSARY WOULD BE TAKEN TO PROTECT INTEGRITY OF CHANCERY AND U.S. INSTALLATIONS.

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